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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6103

BILL NUMBER: SB 32

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 12, 2012

BILL AMENDED: Mar 8, 2012

SUBJECT: Guardianships.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Bray

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Foley

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows a minor who has not been adjudicated an incapacitated person and the minor's guardian to jointly petition the court to extend the guardianship beyond the date the minor attains 18 years of age. The bill requires the petition to be verified. It authorizes the court to extend the guardianship, but not beyond the date on which the protected person attains 22 years of age, if the court finds that extending the guardianship is in the best interests of the protected person. The bill also specifies that the extension of the guardianship does not place the person under a legal disability.

Effective Date: July 1, 2012.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill may increase the workload of local courts to the extent guardians of non-incapacitated minors (who must be at least 17 years of age at the time of petition) along with the minors jointly petition the court to extend guardianship to either a termination date established in the petition or when the protected individual attains 22 years of age. Increases in workload are indeterminable.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Local courts.

Information Sources:

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